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	Filing Date	August 11, 2000	
	First Named Inventor	Versaw, Douglas W.	
	Group Art Unit	3611	
	Examiner Name	Not yet assigned	
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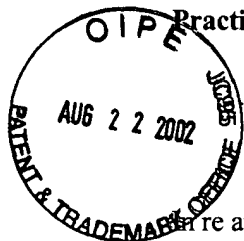
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PATENT



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT OFFICE

re application of: Versaw, Douglas W.

Application No.: 09/637,806 Group No.: 3611
Filed: August 11, 2000 Examiner: Not Assigned

For: **MOTORCYCLE TRAILER HITCH**

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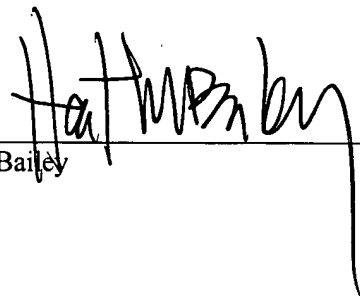
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1. Petition for Revival of an Application for Patent Abandoned Unintentionally Under 37 CFR 1.137(b) (2 pages)
2. Transmittal (1 page)
3. Preliminary Amendment (6 pages)
4. Copy of Notice of Abandonment (1 page)
5. Response to File Missing Parts of a Nonprovisional Application (1 page)
6. Copy of Notice to File Missing Parts of a Nonprovisional Application (2 pages)
7. Change of Attorney Docket Number and Change of Attorney Address (1 page)
8. Fee Transmittal (1 page)
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☒ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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1. BASIC FILING FEE

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101	740	201	370	Utility filing fee	370
106	330	206	165	Design filing fee	
107	510	207	255	Plant filing fee	
108	740	208	370	Reissue filing fee	
114	160	214	80	Provisional filing fee	

SUBTOTAL (1)

(\$ 370)

2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid	
-20 **	= 0	X	= 0	
Independent Claims	-3 **	= 0	X	= 0
Multiple Dependent		X	= 0	

Large Fee Code	Entity (\$)	Small Fee Code	Entity (\$)	Fee Description
103	18	203	9	Claims in excess of 20
102	84	202	42	Independent claims in excess of 3
104	280	204	140	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
109	84	209	42	** Reissue independent claims over original patent
110	18	210	9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

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105	130	205	65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	65
127	50	227	25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet.	
139	130	139	130	Non-English specification	
147	2,520	147	2,520	For filing a request for reexamination	
112	920*	112	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
113	1,840*	113	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
115	110	215	55	Extension for reply within first month	
116	400	216	200	Extension for reply within second month	
117	920	217	460	Extension for reply within third month	
118	1,440	218	720	Extension for reply within fourth month	
128	1,960	228	980	Extension for reply within fifth month	
119	320	219	160	Notice of Appeal	
120	320	220	160	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
121	280	221	140	Request for oral hearing	
138	1,510	138	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
140	110	240	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
141	1,280	241	640	Petition to revive - unintentional	640
142	1,280	242	640	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
143	460	243	230	Design issue fee	
144	620	244	310	Plant issue fee	
122	130	122	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
123	50	123	50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17 (a)	
126	180	126	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
581	40	581	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
146	740	246	370	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))	
149	740	249	370	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))	
179	740	279	370	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
169	900	169	900	Request for expedited examination of a design application	

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Applicant: Versaw, Douglas W.
Application No. 09/637,806
Filed August 11, 2000
Title: MOTORCYCLE TRAILER HITCH
Group Art Unit: 3611
Examiner: Not yet assigned

RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

Box: Missing Parts
Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of a Nonprovisional Application mailed 11/6/200, we
enclose herewith:

- 1) The statutory basic filing fee of \$370.00;
- 2) Surcharge of \$65.00 for small entity for late filing;
- 3) Preliminary Amendment requesting entry of substitute page 3 of originally filed application.

The Applicant is a small entity individual inventor. A preliminary amendment is filed concurrently with this response. If any fee has been inadvertently overlooked, please charge deposit account number 12-0600.

The Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned if prosecution of the application may be expedited thereby.

Respectfully Submitted,

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APPLICATION NUMBER	FILING/RECEIPT DATE	FIRST NAMED APPLICANT	ATTORNEY DOCKET NUMBER
09/637,806	08/11/2000	Douglas W. Versaw	S123

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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

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FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

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An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.
Applicant must submit \$ 345 to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

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- The balance due by applicant is \$ 410.

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The following item(s) appear to have been omitted from the application:

- Figure(s) 7a, 7b & 7c described in the specification.

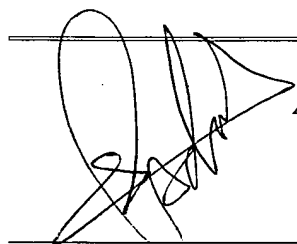
I. Should applicant contend that the above-noted omitted item(s) was in fact deposited in the Patent and Trademark Office (PTO) with the nonprovisional application papers, a copy of this Notice and a petition (and \$130.00 petition fee (37 CFR 1.17(i))) with evidence of such deposit **must** be filed within **TWO MONTHS** of the date of this Notice. The petition fee will be refunded if it is determined that the item(s) was received by the PTO.

II. Should applicant desire to supply the omitted item(s) and accept the date that such omitted item(s) was filed in the PTO as the filing date of the above-identified application, a copy of this Notice, the omitted item(s) (with a supplemental oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63 and 1.64 referring to such items), and a petition under 37 CFR 1.182 (with the \$130.00 petition fee (37 CFR 1.17(h))) requesting the later filing

date **must** be filed within **TWO MONTHS** of the date of this Notice.

III. The failure to file a petition (and petition fee) under the above options (I) or (II) within **TWO MONTHS** of the date of this Notice (37 CFR 1.181(f)) will be treated as a constructive acceptance by the applicant of the application as deposited in the PTO. **THIS TWO MONTH PERIOD IS NOT EXTENDABLE UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) or (b).** In the absence of a timely filed petition in reply to this Notice, the application will maintain a filing date as of the date of deposit of the application papers in the PTO, and original application papers (*i.e.*, the original disclosure of the invention) will include only those application papers present in the PTO on the date of deposit.

In the event that applicant elects not to take action pursuant to options (I) or (II) above (thereby constructively electing option (III)), amendment of the specification to renumber the pages consecutively and cancel incomplete sentences caused by any omitted page(s), and/or amendment of the specification to cancel all references to any omitted drawing(s), relabel the drawing figures to be numbered consecutively (if necessary), and correct the references in the specification to the drawing figures to correspond with any relabelled drawing figures, is required. Any drawing changes should be accompanied by a copy of the drawing figures showing the proposed changes in red ink. Such amendment and/or correction to the drawing figures, if necessary, should be by way of preliminary amendment submitted prior to the first Office action to avoid delays in the prosecution of the application.

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09/637,806	08/11/2000	Douglas W. Versaw	S123

CONFIRMATION NO. 7708

**ABANDONMENT/TERMINATION
LETTER**



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Date Mailed: 08/21/2001

NOTICE OF ABANDONMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.53 (f) OR (g)

The above-identified application is abandoned for failure to timely or properly reply to the Notice to File Missing Parts (Notice) mailed on 11/06/2000.

- No reply was received.

A petition to the Commissioner under 37 CFR 1.137 may be filed requesting that the application be revived.

Under 37 CFR 1.137(a), a petition requesting the application be revived on the grounds of **UNAVOIDABLE DELAY** must be filed promptly after the applicant becomes aware of the abandonment and such petition must be accompanied by: (1) an adequate showing of the cause of unavoidable delay; (2) the required reply to the above-identified Notice; (3) the petition fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(l); and (4) a terminal disclaimer if required by 37 CFR 1.137(c).

Under 37 CFR 1.137(b), a petition requesting the application be revived on the grounds of **UNINTENTIONAL DELAY** must be filed promptly after applicant becomes aware of the abandonment and such petition must be accompanied by: (1) a statement that the entire delay was unintentional; (2) the required reply to the above-identified Notice; (3) the petition fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(m); and (4) a terminal disclaimer if required by 37 CFR 1.137(c).

Any questions concerning petitions to revive should be directed to "Office of Petitions" at (703) 305-9282.

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